

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY**

**IN RE: LIQUID ALUMINUM SULFATE
ANTITRUST LITIGATION**

Civil Action No. 16-md-2687 (JLL)(JAD)
(MDL No. 2687)

*This Document Relates to: Putative Class of Direct
Purchaser Plaintiffs*

**ORDER GRANTING DEFENDANT GEO SPECIALTY CHEMICALS, INC'S
MOTION TO DISMISS UNDER RULE 12(b)(6)**

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THIS MATTER having been brought before the Court by Kirkland and Ellis LLP and Thompson Hine LLP, attorneys for Defendant GEO Specialty Chemicals, Inc. (“GEO”), for an Order pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 12(b)(6) dismissing the Direct Purchaser Plaintiffs’ Consolidated Amended Complaint (Dkt. 220) with prejudice as to claims relating to any conduct prior to December 31, 2004; and the Court having considered the submissions of the parties, and the arguments of the counsel, if any; and for good cause shown,

IT IS, on this _____ day of _____ 2016,

ORDERED that Defendant GEO’s Motion to Dismiss the Direct Purchaser Plaintiffs’ Consolidated Amended Complaint as to claims relating to any conduct prior to December 31, 2004, is GRANTED; and it is further

ORDERED that the Direct Purchaser Plaintiffs’ Consolidated Amended Complaint is hereby DISMISSED WITH PREJUDICE as to claims relating to any conduct prior to December 31, 2004, as against GEO; and it is further

ORDERED that GEO shall file an Answer to the Direct Purchaser Plaintiffs’ Consolidated Amended Complaint, excluding claims for any conduct prior to December 31, 2004, within twenty (20) days of the date of entry of this Order.

HON. JOSE L. LINARES, U.S.D.J.